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The Ohio General Assembly Limited In-person Voting for April 28, 2020, Due to the Current COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

HAMILTON, OH: Ohio Secretary of State <u>Directive 2020-07</u> explains that in-person voting on April 28, 2020, is limited to electors who have not already cast a ballot in this election, who were registered to vote as of February 18, 2020, and who are in one of the following two categories:

- Persons who have a disability and who wish to cast absent voters' ballots using a
 DRE voting machine or marking device that is accessible for voters with disabilities,
 including nonvisual accessibility for the blind and visually impaired, in a manner
 that provides the same opportunity for access and participation, including privacy
 and independence, as for other voters.
- 2. Persons who are unable to receive mail at the place where the elector resides or at another location.

The polling location will be open at the Butler County Board of Elections from 6:30AM to 7:30PM.

By entering the in-person voting location and presenting yourself to vote, a voter is legally affirming to the elections officials that they belong to one of these two categories of voters, and under Ohio law they are eligible to vote in-person at the office of the board of elections.

In addition to those two categories of voters described above, if a voter properly requested an absentee ballot by the April 25, 2020, deadline and did not receive their ballot from the board of elections prior to April 28, 2020, a voter may vote in-person at the Board of Elections.

If a voter does **NOT** belong to one of the two categories of voters described above, or did not properly request an absentee ballot by the April 25, 2020, deadline, then Ohio law does **NOT** permit the voter to vote in-person on Tuesday, April 28, 2020. Please do not enter the polling location.

For more information about the election, please see our most up-to-date bulletin. https://elections.bcohio.us/News Releases/2020/NowWhatUpdate.pdf

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